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SUBJECT: GOVERNMENT DECREES INTERNAL SECURITY MEASURES

1. IN A RENEWED EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE INTERNAL SECURITY SITUATION, THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND THE NATIONAL DEFENSE COUNCIL ON MAY 12 ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

2. ORDERS OF A GENERAL NATURE:

A. ALL FOREIGNERS PERFORMING MILITARY AND POLITICAL WORK FOR THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS ARE CONSIDERED UNDESIRABLE ALIENS AND WILL BE EXPELLED FROM THE COUNTRY.

B. HEAVY ARMS AND EXCESS TROOPS MUST BE REMOVED FROM CITIES AND OTHER POPULATED AREAS.

C. SUMMARY JUSTICE, WHICH IS STILL BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, IS ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED. VIOLATORS WILL BE SEVERELY PUNISHED BY AD HOC MILITARY TRIBUNALS.

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D. DISCIPLINE IN THE MIXED MILITARY FORCES AND THE PREVENTION

FORCES WILL BE GOVERNED BY THE REGULATIONS OF THE PORTUGUESE ARMED FORCES, AS REVISED AND ADAPTED.

E. THE MIXED MILITARY OFFICE WILL CREATE NOT LATER THAN MAY 20 AN INSPECTION SERVICE WITH FULL POWERS TO SUPERVISE THE CARRYING OUT OF ALL THE MEASURES DECREED IN THIS COMMUNIQUE.

3. ORDERS FOR LUANDA:

A. ALL THE INTEGRATED FORCES OF THE MIXED MILITARY FORCES WILL COME UNDER THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE LUANDA OPERATIONAL COMMAND.

B. IMMEDIATE STAFFING OF THE ALREADY CREATED PREVENTION FORCE.

C. THE PREVENTION FORCE SHALL HAVE AS ITS PRIMARY MISSION THE DISARMING OF CIVILIANS IN POSSESSION OF ANY TYPE OF WEAPONS OF WAR.

D. THE MIXED MILITARY FORCES, THE PREVENTION FORCES AND THE ANGOLAN POLICE CROPS ARE HEREBY GIVEN THE AUTHORITY TO ARREST ANY CITIZEN CARRYING WEAPONS OF WAR IN ANY PART OF LUANDA. SEARCHES AND TRAPS MAY ONLY BE MADE BY THE LUANDA OPERATIONAL COMMAND AND THE POLICE.

E. THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS WILL IMMEDIATELY OCCUPY THE BARRACKS THAT HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO THEM. THE MIXED MILITARY FORCES IN THE BARRACKS WILL BE INTEGRATED DOWN TO THE SQUAD LEVEL. EACH BARRACKS WILL BE COMMANDED BY ONE COMMANDER FROM EACH LIBERATION MOVEMENT. ONE OFFICER AND ONE SERGEANT OF THE PORTUGUESE ARMED FORCES WILL BE PLACED IN EACH BARRACKS TO MAINTAIN LIAISON WITH THE HIGH COMMAND OF THE PORTUGUESE ARMED FORCES.

F. ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL OF THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS STATIONED IN LUANDA MUST CARRY AN IDENTIFICATION CARD.

G. THE NUMBER OF GARRISONS OF EACH MOVEMENT WILL BE REDUCED TO FIFTEEN, WITH NO MORE THAN TEN ARMED SOLDIERS IN EACH GARRISON.

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H. IN AREAS CLOSE TO THE AIRPORT NO TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WILL BE PERMITTED.

I. ARMED MILITARY PERSONNEL MAY NOT MOVE THROUGH THE CITY UNLESS THEY FORM PART OF MIXED PATROLS. VIOLATORS WILL BE IMPRISONED IMMEDIATELY.

J. ALL VEHICLES WITHOUT PLATES WILL BE IMPOUNDED.

K. ALL EXCESS FORCES OF THE MOVEMENTS WILL LEAVE
LUANDA BY MAY 20.

L. THE ENTRY OF ARMS AND MILITARY PERSONNEL INTO
LUANDA WILL BE CONTROLLED BY THE NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMISSION.
THE LUANDA OPERATIONAL COMMAND WILL CARRY OUT THIS ORDER
THROUGH THE MIXED MILITARY FORCES.

M. EXISTING JOBS AND THOSE TO BE FILLED IN THE MIXED
MILITARY OFFICE AND SUPPORT SERVICES SHALL BECOME FULL TIME.

N. GUARDS AT THE RESIDENCES OF SENIOR OFFICIALS SHALL
REMAIN IN THE HOUSES AND ADJACENT GARDENS.

4. ORDERS OUTSIDE LUANDA:

A. CREATE BY MAY 31 INTEGRATED COMMANDS IN ALL DISTRICT
CAPITALS.

B. THE NUMBER OF GARRISONS IN EACH DISTRICT SHALL BE
DETERMINED BY THE INTEGRATED COMMAND, THE GOVERNOR OF THE
DISTRICT AND BY THE POLITICAL COMMISSARS OF THE MOVEMENTS.

C. THE MAINTENANCE OF ORDER IN EACH DISTRICT SHALL
BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MIXED MILITARY FORCES AND THE
POLICE, UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THE INTEGRATED COMMAND.

D. ARMED ELEMENTS THAT DO NOT FORM PART OF A MIXED PATROL
ARE PROHIBITED.

E. BORDER POSTS SHOULD BE REACTIVATED.
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F. WATCH SHOULD BE KEPT OVER AIR STRIPS AND THE
COAST UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE INTEGRATED COMMAND.

G. THE INTEGRATED COMMAND MAY TAKE SUCH OTHER MEASURES
AS DEEMED DESIRABLE AS LONG AS THEY MEET THE LETTER AND
SPIRIT OF THE PRESENT DOCUMENT.

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